IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 9 and 11 to read as follows:

9. (Amended) The system of claim 7, wherein said identifying indicia comprises a user-defined character sequence selected from the group consisting of:

an extension to an existing file format, prepended to the file;

a sequence of bits embedded in the file; and

an absence of code in a predefined area within the file.

11. (Amended) A method for tracking the transmission of a digital file over the Internet comprising the steps of:

receiving packets constituting segments of the file in transit over the Internet;

examining file headers in said packets to determine the presence of specific identifying indicia therein; and

recording, for each of the packets containing said identifying indicia, the source Internet address for the file.